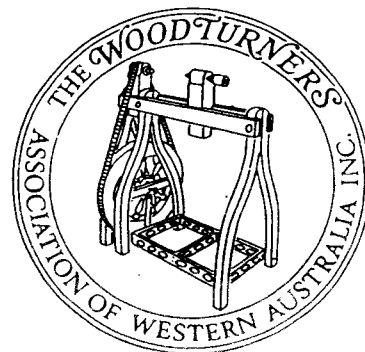


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THE WOODTURNERS

ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC



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W.A.W.A. GROUPS MEETING TIMES, DATES, AND VENUES.

AVON VALLEY	4th Thursday, Wool Pavilion, Show Ground, Toodyay 7-30pm.
BUNBURY	1st & 3rd Wednesday 7pm Cross Electrics, 90 Blair Street.
BUSSELTON	2nd & 4th Wednesday 7pm Busselton High school .
CENTRAL/SOUTHERN	2nd & 4th Wednesday Brookton District High School.
COLLIE	Sundays 9-15 to 4pm Various home work shops.
KENWICK	1st & 3rd Wednesdays 7pm Liddlelow House , Cooper Ave. Kenwick.
MANDURAH	Every Second Tuesday 3pm Mandurah High School, Gibla St Mandurah. Check with Convenor for locations during school holidays.
MELVILLE	4th Thursday 7-15 Melville Recreation Centre, Cnr.Stock Rd.& Canning Highway. Melville Wednesday mornings 8am Southside Woodturning Supplies Willagee.
MIDVALE	2nd Tuesday 7pm. 4th Tuesday 1-30pm. The Woodworking Centre, 36 Farrell Rd Midvale.
MUNDARING	Every Friday 7pm Old Parkerville Primary School, Cnr. Dura Rd & Riley Rd.Parkerville.
NORTH OF RIVER	4th Tuesday 7pm. Also 1st & 3rd Fridays 9-12 (all work no meetings) Woodstock, 13 Cressall Rd, Balcatta.
WANDI	1st & 3rd Thursday 7pm. Wandi Community Hall, Lot 33 DeHaer Rd, Wandi

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S WORKSHOP

Well, here we are at the start of a new year, and we look forward to another happy year for all members and may it be a rewarding one for us.

It is also pertinent to reflect on a few events which took place during the two months since my last message.

It was with regret that we learned of the passing, recently, of two of our members, Ken Gericke of Bunbury and John Snow of Kenwick group, and we extend our sincere sympathy to their families in their sad loss.

On a happier note, we are very grateful to the ladies who produced, at no cost to the Association, a total of 228 soft toys, and to those members who donated 180 wooden toys for needy children at Christmas. Thank you, too, to Lach Christie for co-ordinating the distribution of the toys to the four organisations who, in turn, passed them on to needy children. Lach has also agreed to co-ordinate the toy distribution for 1999. Thanks Lach.

Due to the resignation, for health reasons, of John O'Grady, we welcomed Alan Smith to the Management Committee. Alan will assist Brian Fowlie on the weekend Co-ordinating sub-committee. Thanks for stepping in, Alan. Our Christmas function at Kalamunda was very successful with a very nice meal and our thanks are due to the caterers and the weekend co-ordinating Sub Committee for organizing it. Thanks also, to Les Small for his efforts in arranging the function at Miss Mauds in Fremantle. This turned out to be a happy event with about 70 people present.

We also extend our thanks to those firms who sponsored the prizes which were presented at our Christmas function at Kalamunda, and I hope our members will support those sponsors during the year.

Happy turning.....Neil.

LOST:- At Kalamunda December 5th meeting
WOODFAST SCREW CHUCK
Engraved WA 0291106
Contact Brian Fowlie PH 089 457 1166. Thanks.

ASSOCIATION WEEKEND CALENDAR

DATE: 20/21 FEBRUARY
VENUE: BUNBURY SOCCER DROME
HOST GROUP: BUNBURY

DATE: 20/21 MARCH
VENUE: BECKENHAM HALL
HOST GROUP: MELVILLE

DATE: 17/18 APRIL
VENUE: YORK TOWN HALL
HOST GROUP: SUB/COMMITTEE

DEMONSTRATIONS/EXHIBITIONS SALES

MARCH 26/27/28th 1999
TIMBER & WOODWORKING SHOW
CLAREMONT SHOW GROUNDS

MAY 10th to 15th 1999
PHOENIX SHOPPING CENTRE
ROCKINGHAM RD, SPEARWOOD

JUNE 10th to 13th 1999
TRADITIONAL CRAFT
SPECTACTULAR
CLAREMONT SHOW GROUNDS

JULY 26th to 31st 1999
BULLCREEK SHOPPING CENTRE
BULLCREEK.

AUGUST 13th /14th /15th 1999
THE WA WOODSHOW
CLAREMONT SHOW GROUNDS

For further information please contact
John Lillywhite Phone 08 9339 2359
Neil Piper Phone 08 9398 2387
Kevin McCracken will be arranging the rosters.
Please remember to give Kevin two weeks notice of
Your intention to participate. Phone 08 9310 1057

WANTED:- Back issues of WOODTURNING
Magazine numbers 1 to 11 and 14 to 17 inclusive.
Jim McDonnell Ph 08 9294 3511. Thank you.

FOR SALE: ELECTRONIC VARIABLE SPEED HOME MADE LATHE
Pillar (Large Bowl) lathe with tail stock designed to swing up to 1000mm. Requires good home with some one capable of giving it modifications to suit own usage. Motor set up is worthy of the \$800 asking price.....Contact... .. GORDON WARD PH 08 9390 6418

WAWA WEEKEND WORKSHOP MEETING
20/21st FEBRUARY 1999
BUNBURY SOCCER DROME, PARADE RD, BUNBURY

The Bunbury group welcome all members, partners, friends and visitors to their workshop.

CONVENOR: Tom Brixey
M.C.: Ted Norrie
SAFETY ADVISER: Mike Kenny
TRADE SUPPLIER: Cross Electrics
COMPETITION: Turned article featuring natural edge, bark inclusions or natural holes

Programme Saturday

8.00 Unload trailers and set up.
 9.00 Welcome and announcements.
 9.15 Hands on. Mini Competition
 10.00 Competition entrees close.
 10.00 Morning tea (A plate of goodies please).
 10.30 Embellishments with mini carver. **GORDON WARD**
 11.15 Mini Competition
 12.00 Lunch. **SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2.**
12.45 SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

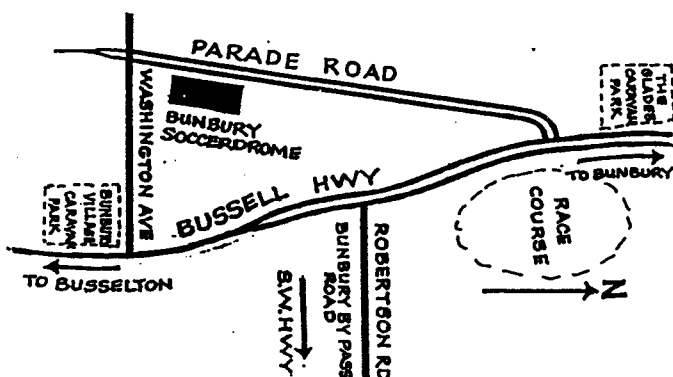
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1.00 Carving on bowl. **ROBERT JONES**
 1.00 Alternative programme— **GUEST SPEAKER**
 2.00 Popular vote closes.
 2.00 Mini competition continues.
 3.00 Afternoon Tea.
 3.30 My method spindle turning legs, **BRIAN LAUNER**
 4.15 **President's Forum – Competition results- Show and tell — Guess the wood.**
 5.30 **TEA. WEBBER BEEF, SALAD & SWEETS \$8.50**
 6.00 Evening entertainment. **BINGO.**

Programme Sunday

9.00 Spindle turning. **GERALD YOUNG.**
 10.00 Morning Tea.
 10.30 Pewter and Poly Carb. Inlay. **VIV PAUST.**
 11.15 Forest Management and Timber **C. BROADBENT.**
 12.00 Lunch. **SAUSAGE SIZZLE. \$2.**
 1.00 Inside out turning. **JIM McDONNELL.**
 2.00 Finish and clean up. **ALL HANDS PLEASE ASSIST**

For Bunbury accommodation see page 4



WAWA WORKSHOP MEETING
20/21st MARCH 1999
BECKENHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
STREATHAM STREET, BECKENHAM.

The Melville Group welcomes all members, partners, friends & Visitors.

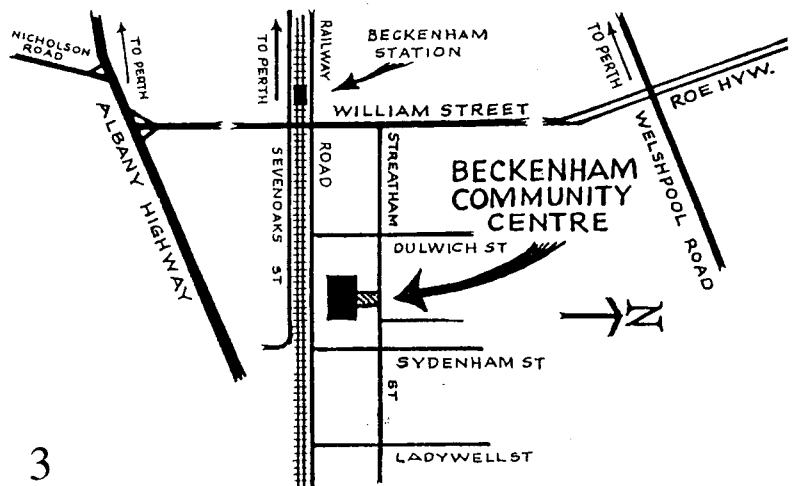
CONVENER: Dereck Martin.
M.C. & SAFETY ADVISER: Kevin McCracken.
HOSTS: All Melville Committee Members
TRADE SUPPLIER: Southside Woodturning
NOTE ALL MELVILLE PARTICIPANTS TO ASSIST IN UNLOADING/LOADING TRAILERS AND CLEANING HALL.
COMPETITION: Article "Green Turned"

Programme Saturday

9.00 Welcome. **DERECK MARTIN**
 9.15 Guest Speaker. **JOHN PEARMAN** Assoc. Professor Micro Biology, RPH. "Health Hazards of Fungi in wood".
 10.00 Morning Tea. Please bring a plate.
 10.00 Competition entrees close.
 10.30 Basic between centre turning. **RON GOODSON.**
 10.30 Alternate Programme. **MICROWAVE COOKING. LARRIANE BRAUND.**
 11.15 Basic face plate turning. **GEORGE HERRING.**
 12.00 Lunch. **SAUSAGE SIZZLE.**
 12.45 Epoxy Resins. **CHARLIE URWIN.**
 1.00 Alternative programme. Folk art **JUDY DESSENT.**
 1.30 Elevated bowl. **VIV PAUST.**
 2.15 Gadgets. **ALAN SMITH**
 2.15 Popular Vote Closes.
 3.00 Afternoon Tea.
 3.30 Mysteries in turning. **GORDON WARD**
 4.15 **President's forum, Competition results, Guess the Wood, Show & Tell. LEN NICHOLLS.**
 5.30 Close. (Continued Sunday)

Programme Sunday

9.00 Pens **JIM CLARKE**
 9.30 T.B.A. **RON EDDY**
 10.00 Morning Tea
 10.30 Fluting Fruit Juices. **BOB RICHARDS**
 11.15 Plastic inserts in goblets. **NEIL PIPER**
 12.00 Programme concludes. Return all of WAWA gear to the trailers for loading. **Clean and tidy hall.**



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Demonstrating for the first time at the Wandí weekend I was understandably nervous. I had decided early on that I would find something a little different and as I had not seen the ring gouge used or demonstrated in my 4/5 years with WAWA I felt this would be of interest. The demonstration started slowly but picked up after giving a short history on the tool, and then discussing the design faults and showing how the tool was sharpened and the use both inside and on the outside of the timber (I was making an egg cup).

At this stage the demonstration was interrupted by a prominent member of WAWA who took over the lathe and the audience to show the use of another tool to get just as good a cut. The point of my demonstration was not to show the best tool or the best way to make a cut, but to offer something a little different to those members who were interested by using a tool which is frowned on by the "experts" and to suggest that the ring gouge can be used to effect in some areas.

The interruption caused me some embarrassment and because of this I will not be offering to demonstrate again.

Robert Kirk. Member No. 1253

SHEOAK SHEOAK TONS AND TONS OF IT

As many members of the association know we were recently offered a quantity of sheoak at a very reasonable cost. I know it wasn't a good time of year for milling timber, but it was offered on a take it or it will be burnt basis. I think any self-respecting turner would hate such a valuable resource go up in smoke. With only a matter of a few days notice a decision was made to purchase the logs by the WAWA Committee, which I think we should all support, the one real problem we had was to find a place to have logs delivered to. Rod Pattinson's name sprung to mind, as he has a 10 acre block in Wandí. A couple of phone calls later and all was arranged. The timber was duly delivered, now came the hard part, getting the timber cut up into usable size slabs and out of the sun. More phone calls by Committee members and group convenors, and a working party was organised. After three days of hard work the job was done. We managed to salvage well over half of the timber by weight which is not bad for sheoak.

Now to the main point of my letter. Many thanks to all of the volunteers who turned up to help out, the cutters, the sealers, the lifters, some of whom came from as far as Bunbury, and Busselton.

Most of all thanks to Rod Pattinson without who's front end loader we would not have been able to do the job at all.

Robert Jones.

Opinions expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the editor or the committee of The Woodturners Association of WA (INC)

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING. BUNBURY 20th FEB.12-45pm

In accordance with Clause 34 of the constitution the President has convened a Special General Meeting of The Woodturners Association of Western Australia Inc. The meeting will be held at the Soccor Drome, Bunbury, on Saturday 20th February 1999 commencing at 12-45pm. The business of the meeting will be to discuss the amendment of Clause 25 of the Constitution.

PREAMBLE:

The Constitution of the Association itself does not specifically empower the creation of Groups. **However, it could be construed that Clause 25 of the constitution, particularly the words.... "a group formed under the auspices of the Association" does in fact formalise the creation of Groups.**

The Committee of Management are of the opinion that the establishment and conduct of the activities of Groups are best managed by the **Policy on Groups**. The policy is contained in the Association's **Handbook** and revised from time to time by the Committee of Management.

Clause 25 of the Constitution prohibit a **Convenor or Group Leader** from serving a term of office in excess of two years consecutively. There are currently two Convenors acting in contravention of this Clause. It appears that if these people were to step down then there is a possibility that the groups concerned would fold. The Committee of Management are of the opinion that it is not in the best interests of Groups, the Association nor its members that such action be taken. We should not allow any breach of the Constitution to continue. The Committee of Management therefore recommends the adoption of the following:

1. That the existing Clause 25 be deleted.
2. The insertion of a new Clause 25 to read:

The President of the Association shall not serve in that position for a term in excess of two (2) years consecutively but is not precluded from serving more than one such term.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE JOINED SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

1696	Peter Rowcliffe	Middle Swan
1697	Bill Lucy	Busselton
1698	Terry Rolf	Toodyay
1699	Paul Towler	Coodanup
1700	Bruce McCormick	Busselton
1701	Lew Cornwell	Langford
1702	Mike Saxon	Byford

BUNBURY ACCOMMODATION FEBRUARY MEETING. Bunbury Caravan & Chalet Village, Bussell Highway, Bunbury. PH 08 9795 7100. * Glade Caravan Park, Cnr Bussell Highway & Timperly St. Bunbury. PH 08 9721 3800. Punch Bowl Caravan Park, Ocean Drive, Bunbury. PH 08 9721 4761. * Koombana Bay Holiday Resort, Koombana Drive, Bunbury. PH 08 9721 7349. For home stay contact Secretary, Roy Harris PH 08 97217349.

COMPETITIONS: NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

November 1998

This was the Three Hour Article (excluding finishing coats) A huge dissapointment. Fourteen entrees only were received and these did not include the two members who suggested the topic. My thanks to the judges Alan Fetes, Roy Lundy and Les Small.

FIRST SECOND THIRD

BEGINNERS: Alan Flintoff. — —
NOVICE: Frank Evans. John Mason. Dan Killgallon
INTERMEDIATE: Jeff Tills. Rex Bungey. Frank Werren
OPEN: Peter Dessent. Jim McDonnell. Alan Smith
MASTERS: Alan France. Viv Paust. —
POPULAR VOTE: Frank Evans. Jeff Tills. John Mason.

December 1998

This month saw the culmination of the year's experiment of five levels in the competition. It brought a 9% increase in participation on last year's. However Beginners were keen to progress to Novice, mostly promoting themselves after one or two months. At the other end, people were reluctant to enter as Masters (those who have won Open three or more months not necessarily in any one year)

The Cumulative Points Awards are for the eleven months from January to November on the basis of two points for entering, three for first place, two for second, and one for third. This year's winners:

FIRST SECOND THIRD

BEGINNERS: Dave Hodgins. Equal — —
 Max Rutherford. Equal
NOVICE: Ken Dixon. Dan Killgallon. Bob Tod.
INTERMEDIATE: Frank Werren. Milton Rundle Bob Webb
OPEN: Alan Smith. Peter Dessent. Jim McDonnell
MASTERS: Viv Paust. Alan France. Len Nicholls.

Also in December we traditionally have "Best Thing Turned This Year." Previously this was Open, with only three awards- but this year it was decided to give a first and second to each of the five levels. As usual, the display was excellent, with twenty six entries. Many incorporated other shaping techniques as well as turning, The level of craftsmanship, attention to aesthetics and the amount of innovation in design indicates that our Association is in great shape. Results:-

FIRST SECOND

BEGINNERS: Frank Evans. Max Rutherford.
NOVICE: John O'Grady. Dan Killgallon.
INTERMEDIATE: Bob Richards. Bob Webb.
OPEN: Alan Smith. Gerald Young.
MASTERS: Alan France. Jack DeVos.
POPULAR VOTE: Jack De Vos. Equal second
 Bob Webb / Gordon Ward

APRIL 17/18 1999 WORKSHOP YORK

Some accomodation suggestions you may wish to book for our weekend in this Historic Town.

Mt Bakewell Caravan Park.	08 9641 1421
Avon Motel	08 9641 2066
Endersby House	B&B 08 9641 1015
Kings Head	B&B 08 9641 1234
The Old Plough	B&B 08 9641 2780

OCTOBER 16/17/18 WEEKEND WORKSHOP KALGOORLIE

In conjunction with the Goldfields Specialty Timber Industry Group this weekend workshop will be held in Kalgoorlie and the Monday will be a field day by bus to Goongarrie Station. So start organising so that you can attend, may be the lucky ones can use this weekend for their free train trip !!!

PEN FRIEND

Woodcraftsman Association of Durban

Mike Lewis from the above Association in South Africa would like to correspond with any woodturners in Western Australia. Mike Lewis, 34 Sir Duncan Rd, Glenwood, Durban, 4001 South Africa.

KENWICK GROUP VISIT TO MANDURAH

On Tuesday October 6th 1998 at the home of Jeff and Marjorie Tills the Mandurah Group hosted 22 members and their wives from Kenwick. Jeff demonstrated making Bandsaw blades, and with Peter Dessent conducted a lively and informative Show and Tell of turned items and jigs from both groups.

A number of members were shown Dick Morley's new toy- the Omega "Stubby" lathe. Our spies tell us that more of these state of the art lathes may be in Western Australia some time in the future. Following a very nice afternoon tea the bus took the Kenwick Group on a leisurely tour of the countryside. Our spies also tell us that they had 22 navigators on board but were not lost. Report by George Herring.

TOODYAY WORKSHOP SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1st 1998

A number of WAWA members travelled to Toodyay, to hold a one day workshop at Toodyay Group's new headquarters, which are in the Wool Pavilion at the Show Grounds. The workshop was a mix of hands on and demos which included, bowl turning, natural edge bowls, deep hole boring for lamps and much more, I think I would be right in saying that the demonstrators learnt as much as our hosts. The day went extremely well, thanks to the excellent work by Gordon Ward, Ivor Bridges, Neil Basden, Jim McDonnell, Neil Piper and John O'Grady. Many thanks to our hosts the Toodyay Group, who put on an excellent lunch - sausages what else!, last but not least to the ladies who as usual provided an excellent morning and afternoon tea. It is our intention to make this kind of workshop a regular event. They are designed primarily for the benefit of smaller country groups Contact **ROBERT JONES** on 08 9525 5564

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PROFILE OF A TURNER.....

John Lillywhite

Born 77 years ago into a West. Aust. Farming community, John spent his early youth at Cadoux. He left school to help with fencing contracts to minimise the effects of the Depression on the family. In 1941 he joined the A.I.F. and was in active service in the Middle East and North Africa (El Alamein). On returning to Australia John was sent for training in Queensland and again was engaged in active service in New Guinea where he was wounded and later invalided out of the Army.

Returning to civilian life John did a short stint at farming and later worked in Boddington at the Extraction Plant where he studied steam engine driving for his First Class Certificate. Hettie arrived in town and into his life. They were married in 1950 and raised 2 girls and 1 boy. On leaving Boddington John worked for the S.E.C. (Western Power) for 31 years, most of it on shift work.

John's community work included - helping at South Fremantle to improve working conditions at the Power Station, President of the Parents Committee in Sea Scouts, had involvement with Y.M.C.A. projects and for Y'smen (service club of the Y.M.C.A.) In conjunction with Harry Norman organised and directed Christmas Tree Sales over a 25 year period.

On retirement, travel had first priority - exploring Australia and New Zealand, visiting relatives in Canada, U.S.A. and friends in England and Europe.

John was introduced to woodturning by Ern Margetts in 1985 and in that year discovered The Woodturners Assoc. of W.A. After night school lessons and W.A.W.A. hands on workshops, he produced more items than his relatives could handle, his specialities being wooden bowls and table lamps, so John assisted at the first shopping centre woodturning demonstration and sales at Melville Shopping Centre. From this evolved his ability to direct operations and more so to persuade and interest shopping centre management to allow space for woodturners to demonstrate and sell.

Since Melville club's inception John has continuously held the position of Treasurer, has taught classes at Melville for 4 years and served 2 years as a Committee Member for W.A.W.A.

SPONSERS FOR AWARDS

The Committee wishes to thank all sponsors who contributed to the 1998 annual awards presentation. You can assist in continuing sponsorship by supporting the undermentioned firms.

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NOTES FROM THE WOODSHED

The nature of our native timber resources is changing as the supply of old growth trees is rapidly depleted. Around the world, timber for construction of dwellings is increasingly coming from fast growing plantation timbers which have properties often very different from those of the virgin forests of the same species. Particularly changes in strength, durability, shrinkage and growth stresses demand changes in our techniques for processing the juvenile wood and how it is used. We as wood turners are largely insulated from the problems that face industrial users in that we don't need long lengths and the features which we seek are shunned by industry as defects. To cope with the changing properties, industry has turned to reconstitution in order to turn small fast growing trees into a range of products like particleboard, medium density fibreboard (MDF), scrimber, flakeboard and oriented strand board (OSB) these processes not only destroy the natural appearance of the wood but also consume a great deal of energy and glue in their manufacture. Peeling of small logs with spindleless lathes has also been perfected and will produce large section laminated veneer lumber (LVL) products.

Peeling or slicing of decorative veneers which are then used to overlay the reconstituted boards is the most common way of mimicking the old growth solid wood products but none of the above produce suitable blanks for the wood turner.

Glue-lam beams are laminated from small boards and although they make suitable wood turning blanks, by law (Australian Building Code) structural products must have resorcinol or phenol formaldehyde glues which are all very dark in colour. To make decorative (not structural) laminated beams with colourless glue, is likely to be cost prohibitive. Wood turners in Australia will always be able to display our magnificent old growth wood features because much of our native forests are being managed in perpetuity. We should understand and learn about wood properties in order to make the maximum value from an invaluable resource.

Thanks to The Woodturners Assoc. Mandurah Group Newsletter.

CHRISTMAS THE MELVILLE GROUP WAY

The Melville Group Christmas celebration was held in the City of Melville's new recreation centre and its very pleasant atmosphere assisted in making the evening a great success. The evening began with a Derek And Doris Martin brain teaser. On arrival all members were given pencil and paper and had to recognise and write down the name of various Logos which were pinned up on stands. Not easy the best effort about twenty five percent. Show and tell was expertly conducted in two segments by Len Nicholls. During the breaks we were entertained by a Barber Shop quartet and later in the evening one of the men from the quartet combined with a female vocalist and accompanying themselves with guitars produced some very pleasant singing. Len then completed show and tell which produced some well turned articles from the Melville members, the most pleasing part was the lovely craft and art work produced by wives and associate members. Supper was then served after which we departed hopefully all to meet again in January 1999.....John Lillywhite.

PEARLS OF WISDOM.....A HUG IS A GREAT GIFT. ONE SIZE FITS ALL AND IT'S EASY TO EXCHANGE.

Australian Womens Weekly Dec. 1997



SHAVINGS FROM THE COMMITTEE (DECEMBER 98)

PURCHASE OF SHEOAK TIMBER

Dissapointment has been expressed by a number of members regarding the above project and the distribution thereof. The offer was received, and accepted, as the timber was being removed from a mining lease site in the Pinjarra Area. Details at the time were rather vague but if the offer was not taken up the timber would have been felled, stacked and burnt on site. Things moved quickly with the entire operation happening much earlier than anticipated resulting in delivery at the nominated Wandi site (necessary to comply with CLAM requirements restricting the distance it could be transported from the original location under the arrangements made). Fortunately a group of willing members, armed with the necessary equipment and knowledge to cut it to manageable sizes, rallied quickly to minimise deterioration. Distribution was undertaken in the most practical manner under the circumstances and apologies are extended to any interested members who missed out. However the excise is considered to have been completed satisfactorily given the overall circumstances involved and thanks are extended to the band of helpers who willingly provided equipment and advise for cutting the logs.

HONOUR BOARDS

The Committee has recently decided to procure two Honour Boards. One will list all past and future Presidents, Treasurers and Secretaries and will list their respective terms of office, the other will list Association Life Members.

INTERNET

Investigation for a suitable replacement provider is still being attended and details will be provided when the matter has been resolved.

SOCIAL FUNCTION – JULY 1999

A number of members have expressed the opinion that the holding of two functions a week apart in December is hard to justify. In view of this, despite a successful Miss Mauds luncheon in December last, the Committee is considering, subject to sufficient member support, holding this function during July 1999 and then only the tradional December workshop. Should this alternative arrangement proceed it is thought that the first Saturday in July would be appropriate. Furthermore Miss Mauds Function Room in the city would be more central and minimise travel for members living in the hills/eastern suburbs. Seating capacity at this venue can only cater for maximum of 75 persons.

COST: Has not been determined but would be in the vicinity of \$21-50 per person.

CORRECTION to June 1999 competition it should read Cake stand or elevated bowl– minimum height 80mm

OLE R RS' COLUMN

I suppose each one of us have thought, now and again, in our quiet moments "What is it that keeps us turning wood ?" Of course our views on this important matter would be coloured by our individual experience, circumstances and the stage we have reached in skill development. Most would agree that our Association has a powerful influence on our motivation and in many other ways. Perhaps next time we ponder on these matters, the following bits of "philosophy" might be helpful.

A thing worth doing is worth doing well.
Sharing ideas and working together enhances the outcome for all
Enjoy the journey as well as the arriving.
Haste detracts from the pleasure of creation.
Speedy performance comes from practice and repetition, indeed, frequent practise and striving for perfection leads to ease and fluency of work.....Happy turning in 1999

FROM YOUR ROVING REPORTER

The idea of having a roving reporter in the Perth area is to help Nancy as editor of our newsletter, as she lives in Busselton. I ask all convenors, committee members and others who have information, news or comments of interest to Association members generally to send them to Nancy direct. If they wish to discuss some potentional contributions with me before submitting them, I would be happy to hear from them.

Ivor Bridges is now operating as technical editor and wishes to receive articles, hints, tips or news items relating to tools and equipment. Ivor and I are working towards another issue of "Turner to Turner" for 1999. So all you people out there with useful material, please send it to Ivor (PH/fax 08 9295 1867) With best wishes for the New Year from us both. GERALD

A ladies view: December meeting

The meeting in the Kalamunda Hall seemed to be one of light hearted enjoyment. About a dozen small lathes were being used to make small fun toys. This gave turners the oportunity to try out lathes they had never had the chance to use before. The ladies joined in the fun by comparing the progress of different toys. There were many different dolls being made as well as tops, whistles and cup in a ball. The ladies were having fun painting faces and other decorations on them. I even saw a sausage dog and a teddy bear. These toys were added to the beautiful toys that were on display prior to being gifted to the four organisations for distribution to needy children.

OBITUARIES

JOHN SNOW

It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of John Snow on the 18th of Dec. 1998. He was a member of the Kenwick Group from it's formation in 1987. John was a tireless worker, helping his fellow members and at meetings and working bees to build and extend the workshop. His skill and experience, derived from his work in the bus building and repair shop at MTT (later Transperth) enabled him to contribute greatly to the Group's benefit, particulary after he retired in 1991. Our deepest sympathy in extended to his wife Eileen and to Sue and Leroy.

KEN GERICKE

Ken passed away on Nov. 21st 1998. He joined WAWA in 1987 and has been an active member of the Bunbury Group helping where ever he could especially at Country Shows/Shopping Centre Exhibitions and Sales. Ken will be greatly missed and deepest sympathy in extended to his family.

Quotable quote....."I think there is a world market maybe for five computers."...Thomas Watson,Chairman of IBM 1943

WOODSTOCK

AUSTRALIA

Everything to
get wood working

COBRA

Cast Bed Lathe

Router
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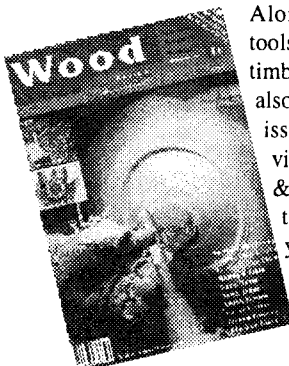
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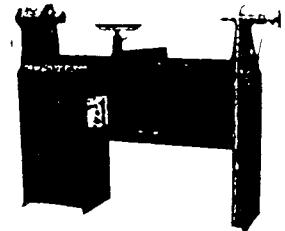
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